

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **HB 901 - SB 1663**

January 12, 2004

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Expands the definition of a *small business* regarding contracts for professional, personal and consulting services as a business that is independently owned and operated, has total gross receipts of no more than \$2,500,000 for the most recently ended federal tax year, and employs no more than 30 persons on a full-time basis.

Under current law, a small business is defined as one that has total gross receipts of no more than \$2,000,000.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **MINIMAL**

The bill raises from no more than \$2,000,000 to no more than \$2,500,000, the total gross receipts level for determining small business status as it relates to submitting a written petition for exemption from the requirement to post a protest bond of a procurement in which the lowest evaluated cost proposal is less than \$1,000,000. By raising the total gross receipts level, the number of businesses that would fall within the small business category, for the purpose of requesting an exemption from the bond requirement, could potentially increase. However, this change in definition of a small business is estimated to have minimal impact on state government.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James W. White, Executive Director